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ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION
GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

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October 30, 1950

Mr. Charles F. Curran
309 Allen Avenue
Farmington, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Curran:

From the three samples which you recently sent to this office, two were assayed. As they were not numbered, the small pieces in an envelope was limestone and not assayed. The other two were assayed with the following results:

	U308	V205	CaCO3
No. 2	1.56%	0.59%	88.6%
No. 3	0.79%	0.40%	90.9%

We would appreciate hearing from you as to the location and size of the ore deposit from which you collected these samples. They represent a very good grade of uranium.

Very truly yours,

(s) Charles A. Rasor
Geologist.

This assay is from SW/4, Sec. 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W.,
allotment of Brown Vandever, serial 077031.

P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

November 14, 1950

VIA AIR MAIL

Mr. Allan G. Harper
Area Director
Office of Indian Affairs
Window Rock, Arizona

Dear Mr. Harper:

With reference to Mr. Kilgore's letter of November 10, regarding the application for vanadium-uranium mining leases on the following listed Navajo allotted lands in McKinley County, New Mexico, located a few miles north and east of Bluewater:

Glen Williams, Tohatchi, N. M. & J. T. Hutton, Farmington, N. M.
(applicants)

SW/4, Sec. 16, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., allot. 077031 of Brown Vandever.

NE/4, Sec. 24, T. 13 N., R. 11 W., allot. 059419 of Nona bah Vandever.

Henry E. Andrews: (applicant)

NE/4, Sec. 26, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., allot. 059387 of Nata na gah Esedero.

From the assay reports submitted, it would appear that, at the present time, these ores are of no value, as they are not subject to the present method of processing.

A further investigation will be made by this office to find if there is any possibility of such ores being processed in the immediate future, and as soon as we obtain any definite information concerning them, we will advise you.

It would appear, therefore, that the issuance of any mining leases on these properties at the present time would be of no great advantage to the allottees except that they might receive the regular rentals from such lands, which would probably be more than any rentals received for any other purpose.

Mr. E. W. Dyer, of the Salt Lake City Office, and I expect to be in Window Rock sometime within the next week, and will discuss this matter with you in detail.

Very truly yours,

Enclosures

R. E. Allport
District Mining Supervisor



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
NAVAJO AGENCY
WINDOW ROCK, ARIZONA

IN REPLY REFER TO:
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June 12, 1959

Robert Fulton,
Regional Mining Supervisor
United States Geological Survey
P. C. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

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U. S. Geological Survey
Carlsbad, N. M.

Dear Mr. Fulton:

By letter dated June 1, 1959, New-Mex Minerals Corporation requested permission to negotiate a mining lease on the SW/4 of Section 18, T. 13N., R. 10W., N.M.P.M.

Inquiry was made to the applicant regarding a possible bonus for the best interest of the land-owner, but on June 9th, the applicant advised that no bonus offer was considered and that only a certain amount of development work would be performed to determine if any ores of value could be located, since the former lessee had abandoned the land.

The applicant further stated that if exploration proves nothing, the lease would be terminated. Federal Uranium Corporation's lease on this property was cancelled June 2, 1959.

Sincerely yours,

M. D. Long
M. D. Long
Agency Realty Officer

P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

June 18, 1959

Mr. M. D. Long
Agency Realty Officer
Navajo Agency
Window Rock, Arizona

Dear Mr. Long:

Reference is made to your letter of June 12, 1959, informing this office that an application to negotiate a mining lease on the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., N.M.P.M. had been received from New-Mex Minerals Corporation.

The Federal Uranium Corporation formerly held the land involved under mining lease Contract I-119-Ind.-8913 and produced for approximately 4 years. The lease was abandoned as the known orebodies had been exhausted.

It is the opinion of this office that it is in the best interest of the land owner to negotiate a mining lease as no competitive interest in the allotment is known.

Sincerely,

J. W. Hager
Mining Engineer
for R. S. Fulton
Regional Mining Supervisor

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Carlsbad, N. M.

December 3, 1959

Mr. R. S. Fulton
Regional Mining Supervisor
U. S. Geological Survey
P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Fulton:

We are in receipt of an application from W. C. T. Engineering Company of 523 Third Street, N. W., Albuquerque, New Mexico, for permission to negotiate mining leases on the NE/4 of Section 24, T. 13 N., R. 11 W., and Lots 3 and 4, E/2 SW/4 of Section 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., N.M.P.M.

These allotments were previously leased to Federal Uranium Corporation but both have been cancelled.

W. C. T. Engineering Company claims that an examination of the properties shows that there are possibly additional ore bodies which could be developed. They have approached the allottees with an offer to lease the lands and have expressed their willingness to consent to lease.

W. C. T. Engineering Company offers as a cash bonus \$1.00 per acre per annum for the privilege of acquiring mining rights on these allotments.

New-Mex Minerals Corporation made application for the SW/4 of Section 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., N.M.P.M., and in your letter dated June 18, 1959, you advised this office of your opinion.

Upon instructions from our Area Office, our letter dated July 14, 1959, requested New-Mex Minerals Corporation to submit additional data regarding their firm such as their mining capabilities, finances and type of organization but our letter was returned unclaimed.

Exhibit 5

IN REPLY REFER TO:

We have not heard any further word from New-Mex Minerals Corporation and, therefore, we are not aware of any other interests.

May we have your views on this application.

Sincerely yours,


M. D. Long
Agency Realty Officer

P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

December 8, 1959

Mr. V. D. Long
Agency Realty Officer
Navajo Agency
Window Rock, Arizona

Dear Mr. Long:

Your letter of December 3, 1959, states that your Agency has received an application from W. C. T. Engineering Company for permission to negotiate uranium mining leases on the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 24, T. 13 N., R. 11 W., and Lots 3 and 4, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., N.M.P.M., New Mexico.

The lands involved are Navajo allotted lands. The applicant has approached the allottees with an offer to lease the lands and offers a cash bonus of \$1 an acre. The allottees have indicated their willingness to lease.

The lands in Section 24 were formerly embraced in lease No. -8912, now cancelled, and the lands in Section 18 were formerly embraced in lease No. -8913, now cancelled. The lands were depleted of known orebodies at the time of lease cancellations.

This office is unaware of any competitive interest in the lands at the present time, and it is believed that it would be to the allottee's best interests to negotiate leases with the applicant.

Sincerely yours,

R. S. Fulton
Regional Mining Supervisor



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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Navajo Agency
Window Rock, Arizona

February 3, 1960

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Mr. R. S. Fulton
Regional Mining Supervisor
United States Geological Survey
P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

U. S. Geological Survey
Carlsbad, N. M.

Dear Mr. Fulton:

We are in receipt of an application from Mr. Donald W. Wright of 523 Third Street, N.W., Albuquerque, New Mexico for permission to negotiate a uranium mining lease on Lots 3 and 4 and E/2 of SW/4 of Section 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., N.M.P.M.

This is Indian allotment No. 077031 once held by Federal Uranium Company and was cancelled. Our letter to you dated December 3, 1959 gave a resume and your letter dated December 8, 1959 gave a recommendation thereon.

Mr. Wright enclosed a letter dated January 28, 1960 addressed to him from W. C. T. Engineering Company in which it advised him of its abandonment of all mining properties or interests in any properties in New Mexico in order to confine its activities in the state of Utah.

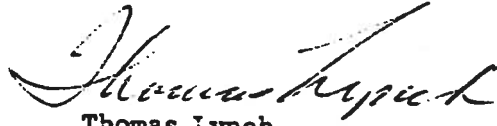
The above decision was unanimously adopted by the Board of Directors of W. C. T. Engineering Company.

Further, Mr. Wright resigned from the position of Vice-President, Director and General Manager of W. C. T. Engineering on December 5, 1959.

We are not aware of any other interests in the above described Indian land for mining purposes.

We would like to have your recommendation on Donald W. Wright's application for a negotiated lease. Enclosed is his application which please return.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas Lynch".

Thomas Lynch
Realty Assistant

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Enclosure

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Exhibit 8

P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

February 8, 1960

Mr. M. D. Long
Chief, Branch of Realty
Navajo Agency
Window Rock, Arizona

Dear Mr. Long:

A letter from your office dated February 3, 1960, with the attached copy of an application from Mr. Donald W. Wright, requested a recommendation on the application.

The application involves Lots 3 & 4, E1/4, Section 15, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., N.M.P.M. These lands were included in the application of W. C. T. Engineering Company on which a report was made by letter of December 8, 1959. The documentary evidence submitted by Mr. Wright confirms the statement that the W.C.T. Engineering Company are no longer interested in leasing the land.

This office has no evidence of any other interest in the land at this time and it is believed that it would be to the Allottee's best interest to negotiate a lease with the applicant.

C. M. McConnell
Deputy Regional Mining Supv.

CMC:nb

cc: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations, Washington

CONSENT TO LEASE

I, From Vandever, do hereby, consent to
 lease Lots 2, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 18,
 T 13 N, Range 10E, N.W.T.M., under my
 allotment number 077031, to Homer Scriven,
 for the purpose of mining uranium ore.

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From Vandever
 1962

Homer Scriven
 1962

*Subscribed to and sworn before
 Me this 7 day of May 1962*

Eddie M. Urea

My Commission Expires:

Scriven

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 Notary Public

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U. S. Geological Survey
Carlsbad, N. M.

April 28, 1962

Superintendent of Indian Affairs
Window Rock, Arizona

Attn: Mr. Lynch:

Dear Sir:

I am hereby submitting my application to lease the Brown Vanderweaver property, better known as follows, for the purpose of mining uranium ore.

lots 3, 4 & 5/8 of 3/4, section 18, 13N

Range 10, T. 33N. Composed of 168.58 acres
Allocation # 077351

Enclosed is a statement of financial condition, as required in submitting application for lease.

At the present time, I am mining uranium ore, on a small claim, in this same area, under allocation granted to me by the Atomic Energy Commission. The claim I am now working will be mined out soon, and I would like to be ready to have new equipment to the Vanderweaver property, upon completion.

Sincerely hoping this meets with your approval.

Very truly yours,

Robert S. Sorenson

Box 41

San Mateo, New Mexico

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May 11, 1962

Mr. Robert S. Fulton
U. S. Geological Survey
P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

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U. S. Geological Survey
Carlsbad, N. M.

Dear Mr. Fulton:

Attached is a copy of letter dated April 25, 1962, from Mr. Homer Scriven of San Mateo, New Mexico, applying for a mining lease to mine uranium from Navajo Indian allotment No. 077031 of Brown Vandever. The allotment is described in the trust patent as lots 3, 4 and E/2 SW/4 of Section 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., N.M.P.M., containing 163.38 acres.

Also attached is Mr. Scriven's statement of financial condition as of March 10, 1962 and copy of Brown Vandever's consent to lease properly witnessed and acknowledge before a notary public.

This office is not aware of nor has on file another application for a mining lease on the same land described above and therefore, to the best of our knowledge, there are no other interests to lease the allotment.

We would like to have your views on Mr. Scriven's application and also whether you are aware of any interests to lease the subject allotment.

Sincerely yours,

M. D. Long
M. D. Long

Agency Realty Officer

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May 15, 1962

Mr. M. D. Long
Agency Realty Officer
Navajo Agency
Window Rock, Arizona

Dear Mr. Long:

By letter dated May 11, 1962, you requested a recommendation on an application for a mining lease on Navajo Indian allotment No. 077031, Brown Vandever. The allotment covers lots 3, 4, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, of Section 18, T. 13 N., R. 10 W.

The allotment was covered by mining lease contract No. I-14-Ind-8913 issued effective November 30, 1951 to Glen Williams and J. T. Hutton and assigned to Federal Uranium Corporation. The Federal Uranium Corporation operated the lease for approximately 4 years. The lease was abandoned as the known ore bodies had been exhausted. The lease was cancelled effective June 2, 1959.

It is the opinion of this office that it is in the best interest of the allottee to negotiate a mining lease as no competitive interest in the allotment is known.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Hager
Mining Engineer
for Regional Mining Supervisor

JWH:nb

cc: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations, Washington



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Mr. W. Wade Head

U. S. Geological Survey
Carlsbad, N. M.

Area Director, Gallup, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Head:

In reply to Area Office letter of May 28, you may authorize negotiation of a mining lease on Navajo allotment No. 077031. The Percentage of Royalty Schedule for Uranium and Other Minerals Associated Therewith, submitted with your letter of June 22, is satisfactory for this negotiation. It is noted, however, that the schedule is not the same as the one contained in ACJN-73-60 and authorized for use by our letter of July 12, 1960.

The submitted instruments are returned as requested.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd) John C. Crow
Deputy
Commissioner

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CC: Regional Mining Supervisor ISGS P. O. Box 829 Carlsbad New Mexico

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R REURLET JUNE 22. PLEASE AIRMAIL COPY URANIUM ROYALTY RATES IN
LEASE TO HOMER SCRIVEN ON NAVAJO ALLOTMENT 077031. ALSO ADIXXX

ADVISE WHETHER THESE ARE CURRENT RATES IN NEW NAVAJO URANIUM LEASES.

(PLEASE REQUEST MINING SUPERVISORS RECOMMENDATION ON RATES NEW LEASES
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Carlsbad, N. M.

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FREDRICK M. HAVERLAND, AREA DIRECTOR,
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
GALLUP, NEW MEXICO

REURLET JUNE 22. PLEASE AIRMAIL COPY URANIUM ROYALTY RATES
IN LEASE TO HOMER SCRIVEN ON NAVAJO ALLOTMENT C77031. ALSO
ADVISE WHETHER THESE ARE CURRENT RATES IN NEW NAVAJO URANIUM
LEASES. PLEASE REQUEST MINING SUPERVISOR'S RECOMMENDATION
ON RATES NEW LEASES WHERE LESSEE HAS NO PRESENT POSSIBILITY
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(Sgd.) T. C. Robinson

Acting

CHIEF, REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

cc: Regional Mining Supervisor, USGS
Carlsbad, New Mexico

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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
Gallup Area Office
P. O. Box 1060
Gallup, New Mexico

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Exhibit 16

October 1, 1962

Mr. R. S. Fulton
Regional Mining Supervisor
U. S. Geological Survey
P. O. Box 829
Carlsbad, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Fulton:

There is enclosed a copy of teletype dated September 28, 1962,
from our Central Office pertaining to uranium royalty rates,
which is self-explanatory.

Will you kindly give us your recommendations as to royalty rates
on new uranium leases where lessee has no present possibility
to obtain a contract to sell the ore.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Dismore
Area Realty Officer

Enclosure

October 3, 1962

Mr. Dewey Dismuke
Area Realty Officer
Gallup Area Office
P. O. Box 1060
Gallup, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Dismuke:

By letter dated October 1, 1962 you requested a recommendation on royalty rates for new Allotted land uranium mining leases.

The Geological Survey can see no justification for changing the current royalty schedule at the present time for any new uranium leases on Allotted land. Tribal resolution ACJH-73-60 was proposed to provide for reduced rates on low grade ores that occur in the Cameron-Tuba City area of the Navajo Reservation in Arizona. This resolution was not meant to suggest a reduction in royalty rates on the Allotted lands of the Grants area.

Accordingly, it is recommended that no modification of the present royalty rates of 12% - 25% be made at this time for any new leases issued on Allotted lands.

Sincerely yours,

James W. Hager
Mining Engineer
for Regional Mining Supervisor

JWH:nb

cc: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations, Washington

14-20-603-7240

June 2, 1964

**MINE INSPECTION REPORT
INDIAN ALLOTTED LAND
MESA NO. 2 MINE
MESA MINING COMPANY
McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**LEASE NO.
14-20-603-7240**

by
**James W. Rager
Mining Engineer**

**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BRANCH OF MINING OPERATIONS
CONSERVATION DIVISION**

-----The Mesa No. 2 Mine was examined May 21, 1964. The mine is operated by the Mesa Mining Company and is located on Indian Allotted Land lease 14-20-603-7240. The lease issued October 12, 1962, to Mr. Homer Scriven, General Manager of the Mesa Mining Company. The mine was known as the Federal mine when operated by the Federal Uranium Company several years ago.

The Mesa Mining Company opened an old incline driven by the Federal Uranium Company and reconditioned three holes for ventilation. The present operator entered an old stope and removed a small amount of ore from the rib. Old drill hole maps show some ore holes near an old room to the north of the main east-west haulage drift.

On date of examination the operator was driving development drifts to several holes shown as ore holes on an old map. Both headings were in waste.

The U. S. Bureau of Mines in an inspection May 7, 1964, had taken two radon daughter concentration samples and had reported over 50 times the recommended working level. The superintendent immediately ceased operations. At the time the samples were taken one small blower fan over a six-inch diameter hole was in operation. Two exhaust fans over 10-inch holes were under repair.

Since the Bureau's examination the fans have been placed in operation and have increased the volume of air passing the working places by at least 6 times. The quality of air appeared good.

There were three men employed at the mine including the superintendent. Two men worked underground while one operated the hoist on the incline. The mine produced from 100 to 300 tons of ore per month. The operation is in the nature of a clean up and any hope of proving a large reserve is very remote.

James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

Orig. to: Supt., Navajo Agency
cc: Comm., Office of Indian Affairs
: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations
: Bureau of Mines, Denver
: Files

August 28, 1964

MINE INSPECTION REPORT
INDIAN ALLOTTED LAND
MESA NO. 2 MINE
MESA MINING COMPANY
McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ALLOTTED LEASE
14-20-603-7240

by
JAMES W. HAGER
MINING ENGINEER

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BRANCH OF MINING OPERATIONS
CONSERVATION DIVISION

The Mesa No. 2 Mine was examined August 13, 1964. The mine is located on Indian Allotted land mining lease contract number 14-20-603-7240 located about 6 miles northeast of Prewit, New Mexico. The mine was previously examined by engineers from this office on May 21, 1964.

Since date of last inspection a total of 520 tons with an average grade of 0.14 percent U_3O_8 was mined. The ore was mined from two places, the development headings and one room of the northwest section.

The ventilation had improved since date of last inspection. The connection of an entry from the northwest section to the main haulage drift has improved the ventilation there.

Three men including the foreman were employed at the mine. About 10 tons of ore was produced daily.

James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

Orig. to: Supt., Navajo Agency
cc: Comm., Office of Indian Affairs
: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations
: Bureau of Mines, Denver
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November 24, 1964

MINE INSPECTION REPORT
INDIAN ALLOTTED LAND
MESA NO. 2 MINE
—MESA MINING COMPANY
McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ALLOTTED LEASE
14-20-603-7240

by
James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BRANCH OF MINING OPERATIONS
CONSERVATION DIVISION

On November 11, 1964, an attempt was made to examine the Mesa-2 Mine. The mine is located on Indian allotted land mining lease No. 14-20-603-7240. The mine is reached by traveling northeast about 6 miles from the town of Prewet on U. S. Highway 66.

All mining equipment had been removed from the mine. The hoist and hoist house had been removed as well as the ventilation fans and rail from the incline. The first timber set in the incline had been bulkheaded.

Mr. Homer Scriven, the original lessee, and Mr. Jess Foy, former superintendent at the mine were not available either at the mine or at their homes in Grants.

If the Mesa Mining Company intends to abandon the mine it will be necessary to condition the incline portal and the ventilation holes. Another attempt will be made to contact the company officials at an early date.

James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

Orig. to: Supt., Navajo Agency
cc: Comm., Office of Indian Affairs
: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations
: Bureau of Mines, Denver
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June 7, 1965

MINE INSPECTION REPORT
INDIAN ALLOTTED LAND
MESA NO. 2 MINE
MESA MINING COMPANY
McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ALLOTTED LEASE
14-20-603-7240

by
James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BRANCH OF MINING OPERATIONS
CONSERVATION DIVISION

On May 27, 1965 an attempt was made to examine the Mesa No. 2 mine located on Indian Allotted Land Mining Lease Contract No. 14-20-603-7240. The lease is held by the Mesa Mining Company.

No one was at the lesse on date of examination and all equipment was gone. An attempt was made to contact employees of the Mesa Mining Company but none could be found.

The leased lands are not in condition for abandonment. If the lessee does not intend to renew operations he should be required to condition the land to its original state.

James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

Orig. to: Supt. Navajo Agency
cc: Comm., Office of Indian Affairs
: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations
: Bureau of Mines, Denver
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December 12, 1966

**MINE INSPECTION REPORT
INDIAN ALLOTTED LAND
MESA NO. 2 MINE
CIBOLA MINING COMPANY
McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**ALLOTTED LEASE
14-20-603-7240**

by
**James W. Hager
Mining Engineer**

**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BRANCH OF MINING OPERATIONS
CONSERVATION DIVISION**

The Mesa No. 2 Mine was examined on November 17, 1966. The mine is located on Indian Allotted land uranium lease 14-20-603-7240. The lease is held by the Cibola Mining Company of Grants, New Mexico. The lease was previously examined August 10, 1966.

No work has been done on the leased lands since date of last examination. No one was at the mine and all equipment had been removed. The former superintendent stated that the State Mine Inspector had told the lessees that they could not operate the deep trench. The superintendent said that plans had been made to start an underground mine but the company had postponed starting operations until the first of the year.

The portals of the old inclines were open. These will have to be closed before the lease is relinquished if the lessee does not intend to reopen the mine.

The management of the Cibola Mining Company will be contacted periodically to assure compliance with the lease terms.

**James W. Hager
Mining Engineer**

Orig. to: Area Director, Navajo Area Office
cc: Comm., Office of Indian Affairs
: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations
: Bureau of Mines, Denver
: Files

September 12, 1966

**MINE INSPECTION REPORT
INDIAN ALLOTTED LAND
MESA NO. 2 MINE
CIBOLA MINING COMPANY
McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**ALLOTTED LEASE
14-20-603-7240**

by
James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BRANCH OF MINING OPERATIONS
CONSERVATION DIVISION**

On August 10, 1966, I examined Mesa #2 Mine. The mine is located on Indian allotted land uranium lease 14-20-603-7240. The lease was assigned from the Mesa Mining Company to the Cibola Mining Company, April 16, 1966.

No work was done on the lease from November 1964 until the assignment to Cibola Mining Company. On date of examination no one was at the mine. The work done by Cibola has all been on the surface. Three deep trenches have been dug along the outcrop. Sixty tons of ore were shipped from the mine in June. The ore contained 0.26 percent U_3O_8 .

There was no equipment at the mine on date of examination. From the appearance of the cuts and the access roads no one had been working on the ground for some time. An attempt was made to contact the lessee in Grants but Mr. Allen, the President of Cibola Mining Company was out of town.

The portal of the old incline was still open. If the lessee intends to abandon the mine this portal must be closed as should the several holes which were used for ventilation of the old mine workings.

Another attempt will be made to contact the management of the Cibola Mining Company at an early date.

James W. Hager
Mining Engineer

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cc: Comm., Office of Indian Affairs
: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations
: Bureau of Mines, Denver
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Navajo Area Office

U. S. Geological Survey Window Rock, Arizona 86515
Carlsbad, N. M.

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Exhibit 24

October 4, 1968

Memorandum

To: Regional Mining Supervisor, USGS, Carlsbad, New Mexico

From: Area Real Property Management

Subject: Allotted Land Uranium Mining Lease No. 14-20-0603-7240 -
Cibola Mining Company, Grants, New Mexico

Please furnish us with an up-to-date status report on the operations and development of the subject lease. Also, a report on the status of Cibola's accounts.

W. L. ...
Realty Specialist

October 17, 1968

Memorandum

To: Realty Specialist, Area Real Property Management,
Navajo Area Office, Window Rock, Arizona

From: Regional Mining Supervisor, USGS,
Carlsbad, New Mexico

Subject: Allotted Land Uranium Mining Lease No. 14-20-0603-7240,
Cibola Mining Company

Your memorandum of October 4, 1968, requested a status report on operations and development of the subject lease. The lease was approved October 12, 1962, and was assigned to Cibola Mining Company April 27, 1966.

A cursory examination of the property was made by the writer on October 9, 1968. There is no mining activity at the property, all mining equipment has been removed, and conditions at the property appear to be identical to those described in previous inspection reports dated September 12, 1966, and December 12, 1966, which were submitted to your office. The portals of the old inclines remain open and are now caving.

The records of this office show that Cibola produced 141.25 tons of ore from the property as reflected by Homestake-Sapin Partners liquidation sheets Nos. 700 (June 1966) and 711 (August 1966). Copies of these liquidations are with the lease file in your office. The records of this office do not indicate any production was obtained after August 1966.

The writer was unable to locate officials of Cibola Mining Company and therefore cannot advise you as to Cibola's future plans, if any.

R. S. Fulton
Regional Mining Supervisor

RSF:nb

March 28, 1969

**MINE INSPECTION REPORT
INDIAN ALLOTTED LAND
MESA NO. 2 MINE
CIBOLA MINING COMPANY
McKINLEY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**ALLOTTED LEASE
14-20-603-7240**

by
**James W. Hager
Mining Engineer**

**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BRANCH OF MINING OPERATIONS
CONSERVATION DIVISION**

~~The Mesa No. 2 mine was examined March 13, 1969. The mine is located on Indian Allotted land mining lease 14-20-603-7240, on Section 18, Township 13 North, Range 10 West. The lease was assigned from Mesa Mining Company to Cibola Mining Company, April 16, 1966.~~

No one was at the mine on date of examination. All equipment had been removed. Apparently, no work had been done since the last inspection of October 9, 1968. The portals of the inclines were opened as were several ventilation holes.

An effort was made to contact officials of the Cibola Mining Company to find out their plans for the mine but the writer was unable to locate them.

**James W. Hager
Mining Engineer**

Orig. to: Area Director, Navajo Area Office
cc: Comm., Office of Indian Affairs
: Chief, Branch of Mining Operations
: Bureau of Mines, Denver
: Files



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Navajo Area Office

U. S. Geological Survey, Window Rock, Arizona 86515
Carlsbad, N.M.

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August 9, 1973

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To: Area Mining Supervisor
U. S. Geological Survey, Carlsbad, N. M.

From: Area Real Property Management

Subject: Expiration of Uranium Mining Lease

This is to confirm that Allotted Land Uranium Mining Lease
No. 14-20-0603-7240 covering allotment No. 077031 expired
on its own terms effective October 12, 1972.

Thomas Lynch
Realty Specialist

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